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**REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUATION OR DIVISION
OF AN INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION**

Sir:

This is a request for filing a *continuation* application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), of pending prior international application number PCT/EP00/06124 filed on June 30, 2000 which designated the United States.

Inventor(s):

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Title: **STERILE CONTAINER**

APPLICATION ELEMENTS:

- (1) ☒ Patent Application Specification, including Abstract and claims - **15** pages
- (2) ☒ **Two (2)** sheet(s) of **formal drawings**, together with transmittal letter
- (3) ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the ☐ filing fee(\$.00)
and/or ☐ Assignment Recordal Fee (\$_____) is enclosed.
- ☐ Before calculating the fee, cancel claim(s)
- ☐ Before calculating the fee, see copy of Preliminary Amendment filed.

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Basic Fee								\$	740.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (\$260.)									
Foreign Language Surcharge (\$130.)									
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EXTRA	Total Claims	21	20	1	x	\$18.	=	\$.00
CLAIMS	Independent Claims	1	3	0	x	\$80.	=	\$.00
TOTAL FILING FEE								=	\$.00

- (4) ☐ Declaration and Power of Attorney form -- pages
- a. ☐ Newly executed
- b. ☐ Copy from a prior application
- c. ☐ Deletion of inventor(s) – signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application.

- (5) ☐ Small Entity Status

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS:

- (6) ☐ Assignment document
- a. ☐ Newly executed (with \$40.00 recordal fee) and separate transmittal Form PTO-1595
- b. ☐ Copy from a prior application
- c. ☐ Please include assignee information when this application is published
- Assignee:**

- (7) ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- (8) ☒ Certified Copy of Priority Document, together with separate transmittal letter
- (9) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, together with PTO Form 1449 and copies of cited references
- (10) ☒ Return receipt postage prepaid postcard
- (11) ☒ Express Mail Certificate (Mailing Label No. EV 046687149 US)
- (12) ☒ Patent Application Data Entry Form
- (13) ☐ Other:

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- (14) [X] Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

**"This application is a continuation of international application number
PCT/EP00/06124 filed on June 30, 2000."**

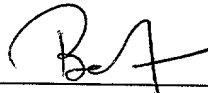
- (15) [X] This application claims the benefit of German Patent Application
No. 199 35 986.5 filed July 30, 1999.

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- (17) [X] Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.10 and 1.53, Applicant
respectfully requests that this application be assigned a serial number and a filing
date of January 25, 2002, the date upon which the application was mailed to the
Patent and Trademark Office by Express Mail (No. EV 046687149 US).

Respectfully submitted,



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- ☒ [x] Patent Application Data Entry form;
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- ☒ [x] Two (2) sheets of formal drawings, together with transmittal letter;
- ☒ [x] Certified copy of priority document (German patent application no. 199 35 986.5), together with transmittal letter;
- ☒ [x] Information Disclosure Statement, together with Form PTO-1449 and copies of cited documents and International Search Report for International patent application PCT/EP00/06124.

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